The Free Press.

To Each Reader.

for in advance this will be the last num- the delay, his share being \$675. full money's worth. We expect to make once more. the FREE PRESS better the coming year have another request to make-that you for James S. Denning as one of the Demodo us a favor. We would consider it a cratic ward committee in the Fifth ward. personal favor and would be happy to pay statement of some of its strong points would accomplish it; and in doing it you bottom. FREE PRESS and the new subscriber a favor-by getting him acquainted with the 'leading newspaper in Vermont.'

CITY AND VICINITY. Washington's birthday.

There could very appropriately be a

boom in little hatchets to-day. The medals to be given at the polo tour nament are on exhibition at B. W. Carpenter & Co's.

The early closing movement has got a firm hold in this city and even the grocers are pleased with the results.

Lent will begin March 10, so that there and feasting and opportunity for wed-

jingle of the sleigh bells greeted the ear once more.

The protracted warmth is thought to fears are expressed that injury may result to the fruit crop from the cold snap.

We notice that in the list of luxuries prized in Troy, N. Y., skinned perch from Lake Champlain take a high rank.

Farmers in this vicinity report that lost as many as thirty chickens in one night.

At last the Winooski bridge is fini-hed, and the street car track runs from the

denot in this city to that at Winooski.

Col. W. L. Greenleaf announces that the officers school of the National Guard of Vertical will be held at Ruthard Thursday and Frelay, March 11 and 12.

sity last Friday was a great success. Despite the horrible walking the attendance the papals, and was very creditably and interestingly done. was good-too good for the convenience of the dancers-and everybody had a good

A telephone message announces that the goals. It is claimed their victory game of polo at Montpelier Monday between the Golden Fleece team and the Newbort N. H. club resulted in favor of criticised for not ruling them out, of the Newport, N. H., club resulted in favor of the former five goals to one.

The Corelli Opera company which made a series of attempts to present opera in this city some time ago, and which was to appear this week in St. Johnsbury, has disbanded, having come to financial grief.

This year for the first time in over a century Easter falls upon April 25 which is also St. Mark's day. There is a concurrent tradition that a late Easter makes a late spring; and the colored people of the South often say: "It's no use talkin' there will be no good weather until after Easter."

The new mail agent between Essex and Boston, H. H. Branshaw, and his assistant, J. E. Lang of this city, travel 250 miles a day, and leave and take mail matter at over 50 stations. They handle 30 to 60 sacks of second class matter and about 50 pouches of letters every day.

The regular February term of the United States Court will open at the Court House in this city at 10 o'clock, this morning. Judge Wheeler presiding. Among Jr., John Cook, Michael Callahan, Oliver the important cases to come up are the injunction in the case of Receiver Hendee against the Connecticut, and Passumpsic River Railroad company and Receiver Hendee against a number of National banks of Vermont.

Daniel Hennessy, the victim of the ac-Hospital early Saturday morning. His in- icled.

for a Democrat for city judge-over and over again, and many Democrats are Opening of the February Term in this going to reciprocate by voting for Mr. Peck.

The WEEKLY FREE PRESS with this perfectly satisfactory when tested by the opened at the Court house in this city number enters upon a New Year and it city engineer, which was done by putting Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, with the heartily wishes all its readers a happy and 55 tons of pig iron on it and also by driving following officers: Hon. Hoyt H. Wheelprosperous year. The subscription term on a large number of loaded teams. Mr of a good many of our readers expires Hawkins was paid Tuesday and in setwith this number. As our regular rule thing he manifested a commendable spirit. is to stop all papers that are not paid bearing one half of the expense caused by ber they will get unless a renewal is sent street committee and indeed all who have in promptly. We trust that not one will examined the bridge think it is a good feel that he can do without the FIEE one and the people of this city and Wi-PRESS. We are better prepared this year nooski are to be congratulated that free then ever before to give our patrons their communication between them is assured

There was a meeting of the city council the FREE PRESS better the coming year
than ever in its history. We have decid
ed to expend the money heretofore put
the city prior to the March election. Two
ington, John Taggart, James W. Wilinto premiums on the improvement of our names were added to the number of voters mams paper, and we have no doubt but that our in First ward, 8 in Second ward. 17 in paper, and paper are the expenditure Third ward, 3 in Fourth ward, 27 in Fifth better. In another column we print a ward. William J. Edgecomb was elected prospectus in which we make known inspector of election for First ward in some of the good things our subscribers place of A. P. Lowell resigned, and James will get by taking the WEEKLY FREE Riley was elected inspector for Third ward consultation. Parss the coming year. Besides asking in place of Patrick Ritchie, resigned. The you to renew your own subscription we name of John Nolan should be substituted

As a Mrs. Smith of St. George was makreasonably for it if each subscriber who ing ready to go down on the J. W. Ho likes the FREE PRSSS would secure one bart toboggan slide Wednesday she discov more subscriber for it among his neigh- ered a man in the act of picking her bors who do not now take it. A little talk pocket. She gave the alarm when the and showing of the FREE PRESS, with a man started to run down the steps, but he was apprehended by a policeman at the He was arraigned before Justice would be helping yourself and doing the J. W. Russell and was bound over to the County Court. He gave his name as S. C. Long and claimed that he was a native of Toronto, had recently arrived from New

organd claimer the organization of the second process and had no settled place of residence the theory forescending gentleman was apprehended in the act of picking an old gentleman's pocket in a street car. He refused to give his name and will have a hearing to day.

City Politics.

The result of the Republican city can cust it is unnecessary to say, was highly satisfactory to the party in general, as well as to the friends of the successful candidates. Mr. Woodbury's election, and we comparatulate the friends of progress, good order and economy in municipal affairs upon his continued occupancy of the office of mayor. The contest on the city judgeship was a sharp one, and the friends of both candidates did some very effective work, Mr. Russell's friends give him a handsome support, and one of which an a handsome support, and one of which an a handsome support, and one of which an port and done of which as a handsome support, and one of the case for trail were the fact to their own level its and the school to the level of itself. The majority in a town in the hand that the charter of the development of the same vs. A. O. Brath of the case for the development of the same intrinsic manner o remains but a little over two weeks of fun course, is a foregone conclusion, and we Sleighs made their appearance on the upon his continued occupancy of the office streets Saturday afternoon, and the merry of mayor. The contest on the city judgehave started the buds on the trees and handsome support, and one of which any chicken thieves are at work and some have will come in good time, and until then his As the rink is to be used for a furniture of the party. We trust that entire harstore after March 1, for at least a year, mony will prevail, and that the Republipolo players will be obliged to change cans will, as usual, carry the day handsomely.

Washington's Birthday in the Schools.

Washington's birthday the 22d inst. was appropriately observed in the public schools of this city, of the intermediate One of the Bank Cases Heard-Decisions and primary grades. The exercises were carefully prepared, and consisted of readings and Freiay, March 11 and 12.

The battalion reception at the Universal and his character being the theme. All

game. The referee of the first game was J. A. Clapp and of the second Charles Foy. The game last hight was for the championship of Vermont and a gold medal. To night there will be a match game between the Newport and Association teams for second place and for a silver tion teams for second place and for a silver and the Association and Golden Fieece teams will play an exhibition game

Third Ward Democratic Caucus.

The caucus of the Democrats of the Third ward, held in the City hall last night, was called to order by Patrick T. Meagher, chairman of the ward committee, who also read the call. Oliver Verran was elected chairman of the caucus, H. R. Wing secretary. Thomas Cook received a unanimous nomination for alderman, and Joseph H. Roy was nominated for school commissioner.

H. Hogan, John Ganey and Michael McKenzie were appointed ward commit-tee, and P. H. Ritchie, Peter Marengo, Jr., and Ira J. Flanagan, the present inspec-

Verran, P.T. Meagher, P.Corley and T. P.

Captured at Last.

Mrs. Amanda Lamphear alias Mrs. Alma Howard alias Mrs. Clark, was captute in this city on Thursday, by Deputy Sheriff Wheeler. Her course at St. Alcident at the Winooski bridge about three bans, as well as the immediate cause weeks ago, died at the Mary Fletcher of her arrest have already been chron-After last Saturday when she played a confidence game on Mrs. Thomas give small hope of his recovery, but the fact that he lingered so long encouraged the physicians to think that perhaps he might survive. Concussion of the brain was; the fstal injury. The remains of the deceased were taken to his home in Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Holton is a square and honest man—as well as a stiff Democrat—and is altogether too sensible to suppose that he can be elected mayor this year. Large numbers of the Democrats, indeed, were not and are not, in favor of making any fight on mayor. Col. Woodbury's majority will probably be even larger than last year.

Played a confidence game on Mrs. Thomas McGirevy of Wingoski she was lost sight of. Deputy Wheeler made up his mind to find her, and with good success. On the 5th of February she engaged to board with Mrs. Drew, in this city, claiming to be a member of a troupe playing at the rink; said she had trouble with the manager company with which she was to travel. Mrs. Drew began to surmise that there was something wrong, so requested her to get other lodgings. She then enurged board with Mr. C. B. Smith at II Center street, where she boarded two weeks, soming at a place on Church street. Officer Wheeler in looking up the case found one merchant who halfseen swindler surface. Concerning the arrival of another for the properties of the propert juries from the start were so serious as to played a confidence game on Mrs. Thomas Captain Hare, too, is an amiable gentleman, and has sometimes been a pretty good Republican, but he ought not to delude himself by supposing that he can be city judge. The Republicans have voted

UNITED STATES COURT.

City Tuesday.

The Winooski bridge was found to be United States circuit and district courts

The regular February term to the State of th

Champlain railroad company allowed to enter was heard, A. P. Cross argu-ing for the orator and John Young for the

In the case of the Merchants' National bank of St. Johnsbury against one Sin-clair a motion was argued, the orator claiming that the defendant should furhish special bail of \$16,000. Both cases were held under advisement by the courts.

Announced.

Upon the coming in of the United States Court Wednesday morning decisions were aunounced as follows: The motion for leave to enter the execution of the plain tiff, who is a resident of New Jersey, in the case of Ezra Miller against the St.

The grand jury reported that they had completed their labors, reporting four true bills found and two not found, and they were discharged. There being no fur-ther business a recess was taken until 2

p. m.
The case of George W. Hendee, receiver against the First National bank of St. Johnsbury occupied the afternoon, A. P. Cross and George W. Hendee appearing for the plaintiff and L. P. Poland and E. R. Hard for the detendant. Court will come in this morning at 9 o'clock.

TOWN SYSTEM OF SCHOOLS

Reports from Towns Using the System in Vermont-How the System Proves After Trial.

Goshen adopted in 1884. Same number of schools. 24 weeks each; before one district had only 20, the others 24. Average cost per week, 38 cents less than under the district system. School houses greatly improved and the list increased.

Canaan adopted in 1885. Same number of schools as under the district system. The number of weeks of school increased from 19 to 24, and there has been a decided improvement in the houses and schools.

Hinesburgh adopted in 1871. Supports of weeks increased from 25 to 30. Houses superior to those under the old system. Brighton adopted in 1880. Three more

per week the same. Five new houses have been built, and the schools are much Weston adopted in 1885. There are two

Weston adopted in 1885. There are two
less schools than under district system.
The number of weeks of school has increased. Cost is 40 cents per week less.
Houses and schools better.
Warren adopted in 1885. Same number
of schools. Have more weeks of school
and houses and schools are in very much
better condition than under district sys-

Grand Isle adopted in 1883. Same num-ber schools. Two more weeks than be-fore. Cost 40 cents per week more. Houses are better than under district system, and the list for school purposes has increased.

Charleston adopted the system in 1883. Charleston adopted the system in 1883.
Same number of schools, and same number of weeks. Cost per week 35 cents more. Houses and schools are improved.
Woodford adopted in 1871, and has one less school than under the district system with three more weeks of school for each.
Average cost per week has increased 70 cents. Houses and schools in better condition.

dition.

Middletown adopted in 1873. Supports

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Inder one school of four departments. Under the district system there were from five to eight schools, with an average of 22 weeks

each, now there are 34 weeks. School houses are infinitely better in every respect, and the schools 100 per cent better. The grand list for school pin poses has increased ab

house and furnished it, a thing which they had sought in vain from the town committee, projected and sustained a good school at their own expense, giving up their part of the State school money for this purpose, for they could not obtain this without working the town system. But the families of that district felf them-selves well repute for the extra expense of time, pains and money that they bestowed in the better school which their sacrifice

A good school, we repeat, can be maintained from year to year in any com-munity only by the intelligent interest and activity of the community. A good system, if it be given, will no more secure a good school without the constant watchfulness and practical working for it of the citizens of the district than a good will get be snarp work in all probability.

A young man who was watching the trotting race let his curiosity take him into the track too far and he was struck by the cauter and knocked over, but don't receive serious injury.

A telephone message announces that the game of polo at Montpelier boys disposed of them in a short time also, winning in the extraction. A telephone message announces that the game of polo at Montpelier Monday between the Golden Fleece team of which and the continuity of the citizens and all the short of people. The first game was bed ettendant furnish special bail of \$1690 was detendant furnish special bail of \$1690 was detendant furnish special bail of \$1690 was policy and the community and to a first policy and the community of the citizens are the benefitted many to a bound. Presh onions 3 cents a pound, a first policy of the citizens and all the way to about the track too far and he was struck by the cauter and knocked over, but did not receive serious injury.

A telephone message announces that the game of polo at Montpelier Monday between the Golden Fleece team of the citizens and all the same and drunking of adodolic liquors unless the citizens are intelligents and active enough to enforce this law, The way to abound probability. Then the state and drunking of adodolic liquors unless the citizens are the beat state and drunking of adodolic liquors unless the citizens are intelligent and the way to abound probability. The way to abound probability and constituting the citizens are the beat state and drunking of a declosion to enforce this law, The way to abound probability. The control of the citizens are the beat state and drunking of a declosion that the citizens are the beat state and drunking of a declosion that the citizens are the method of the citizens and drunking of a declosion that the citizens are the beat state and drunking of a declosion that the citizens are the beat state and drunking of a declosion that the citizens are the beat state and drunking of a declosion that Now that is the best system for this pur-pose which appeals most directly and con-stantly to the citizens and all the citizens, and allows and requires each to keep up his interest and his activity and exertion too, to reach an end that will profit him and all. The district system rather than the town, as we have shown both by argument and experience, makes the most direct and strongest appeal to each and all to do the most and the best to sustain the school. It is, therefore, the best basis to stand upon and work upon for good schools. It is an experiment and a disastrous risk to throw up this system for any other relationship. other of less practical advantage.

for the schools, and they would elect worthless district committees, under the district system. As a general rule, intelligent and unprejudiced observers, who pails. have watched both systems, give the town system the preference. The increased importance and responsibility of the school board, under the town system, secures greater attention to, and more faithful discharge of the duties. There will as a rule be a far higher average of intelligence and efficiency in the town boards than in the 13 schools, one less than before. Number district committees, and the schools under that system are cared for, while auare 50 per cent better, and the schools far der the old system, as everybody knows, they are in multitudes of cases grossly negleeted. No system works perfectly, in huschools than under district system. Cost man affairs. The question is which, on the whole, and in the long run, will give the whole, and in the long run, will give the best results. The fown system, say the wisest friends of education in many States. The district system has not work. White fish 125 to 15 cents a pound Lake shad are out of market with the state of ed satisfactorily in hundreds of cases. Why not then give the other system at least a fair trial?

It will Pay all our readers to peruse very carefully, the article elsewhere copied from the Scientific American, addressed to that dis-passionate paper, and reproduced herein be-cause it is of very great value to everyone, containing some important scientific facts very plainly put.

REMARKABLE RECUPERATION.

i). M. Fenny & Co., the well-known Seedmen, of Detroit, Mich., announce that they are on their feel again and ready and anxious to receipt orders for seeds from e-ry one of their old customers, and from as many new ones as feel kindly disposed toward them. They are in condition to fill promptly every order with new seeds of the best quality.

More cases of sick headache, biliousness, constipation, &c., can be cured in loss time, with less medicine, and for less money, by using Carter's Little Laver Pills, than by any other means.

MARKET REPORTS.

New York Produce Market

Chicago Produce Markets.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.

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Froun-higher, Southern winter at 140 %14 %1; Wisconsin at 1400%1 65; Machigan at 1400%1 65; Machigan at 1400%1 70; Soft spring at 1700%100; Mannesota bakers' at 3500%150; portion at 1350 500; low grades at 2400%365; rye flour at 1360 500; buckwheat at 350, Winkar-lower, February at 85%26814; No. 2 spring at 81% (683); No. 3 do at 125%, Cons-weak burchosed steadier at 37%-137%, OATS-cusy at 30, Rye-steady, No. 2 at 20, Barrier housing at 81% No. 2 at 20.

Watertown Union Live Stock Markets WATERTOWN, Feb. 25

Cattle Market. The cattle market was light, prices unchanged.
Market Beel extra, 750-775; first quality, 750-772, second quality 5 00:2650, third qual-

Torox 1 feet, extra, 7.49, 7.55; first quality, 7 (9), 7.25; second quality 5 00,050, third quality, \$4 00,04.36.
Cattle-Receipts of 678 head.
Cattle-Store Cattle-Working oxen, per pair, from \$100,08185. Farrow cows \$550,520, Fancy cows \$500,508. Mich cows and cattle, \$250,48. Yearlings \$100,18. Two-years-old, \$250,48. Yearlings \$100,18. Two-years-old, \$140,28. Three, 245,400.
Swine-Receipts of 12,145.
Swine-Western fat, 10c 478,0,544 P. 8.
Northern dressed hogs 554 p. B.,
Sheep and Lambs-Receipts of 2646.
Sheep and Lambs-In lots at 2.250,400, extra at 5.00,6525.

Veal Carves at 259/2006.

BURLINGTON, Feb. 25, 1886. Pincapples and extra fine bananas are in market this week. Chicago beef, lambs and pork are also quoted, the cooler in this city having been reopened for the supply of the local dealers. Market quotations are as follows:

Fruits and Vegetables. Fresh cramberries, 10 to 12 cents a quart

Celery, 10 cents a head 80a dozen. Cooking apples, 20 to 25 cts. a peck. Bananas are 50 to 60 cts. a dozen. Pineapples 50 to 60 cents apiece. Florida oranges 60 cents a dozen. Tangerines, 60 cents a dozen. Mandarin oranges 50 cts a dozen. Mandarin oranges 50 cts a dozen. en. Messina and Valencia oranges are 2016 40 cents per dozen. Figs are 2046 to accents a pound and dates 15 cents. Messina

Butter is 25 to 28 cents a pound. Cheese is 12½ to 15 cents. Eggs are 28 cents a doz. Fancy cheeses are as follows: Pineapple cheeses 65 cents to \$1.00 each according to size: Roquefort cheese 40 cents a pound: English dairy 25 cents; Edam \$1.00 each; Neufchatel 5 cents a package; Guada cheese, 40 cents a pound. Cheddar cheese, \$1 a pound. Milk 7 cents a quart. Pure Jersey cream 30 cents a quart.

Flour, Sugar, etc.

St. Louis flour \$5,50 to \$7.00 a bbl.; Michother of less practical advantage.

A. D. B.
Beckmantown, N. Y., Feb. 19, '86.

Of course there may be cases in which a worthless town committee gives the town poor schools. In any town which would keep such a committee in office, the majority of the people must care little for the scheeks and they would also a pound; mince meat 12 cents a pound.
Horse radish, to and 20 cents a bottle.
New cider jelly in five pound buckets 50
cents. Apple lelly 50 cents for 5-pound
pails. Raspberry jam 30 cents for 5pound pails. Grape Fruit 50 to 60 cents a
dozen

Meats and Fish.

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Spring lamb is quoted at 18 to 20 cents for hindquarters and 10 to 12) cents for forequarters. Beef, porter house is quoted 23 cts; sirloin, 20 cents; round, 15 to 18 cents, Hams, sugar cured 12\(^1\) to 15 cents per pound, breakfast bacon 15 to 18 cents, boneless ham, 15 cts, a pound, tripe 10 cents, pickled pigs feet 12\(^1\) cents. Corn, beef 6 to 12\(^1\) cents. Pork, roast, 10 to 15 cents a pound; steak, 12\(^1\) to 15 cents. Salt pork foto 12\(^1\) cents a pound. In poultry, chickens, dressed, are 18 to 20 cents a pound, fowls 15 to 20 18 to 20 cents a pound, fowls cents, and turkeys 20 to salmon trout 12 to 15 cts. Fresh mackered bring 10 to 20 cts upiece; cod. 12 to 15 cts a pound; haddock. 10 cents a pound; haddock. 10 cents a pound; haddock. Lake smells, 18 to 20 cents a dozen. Lake perch 15 cents a dozen. Ham sansage 25 cents a pound, blood sansage 15 cts. a pound, Boston sansage 15 cents, German bologna sansage 20 cts. Albany sausage 15 cents, bead cheese 15 cents, German bologua sausage 20 cts. Af-bany sausage 15 cents, head cheese 15 cents a pound. Oysters, Providence River 50 cents, Mediums 45 cents, and Norfolks or Standards 35 to 40 cents a quart. Lobsters 18 cents a pound.

Burlington Wholesale Lumber Market BURLINGTON, Feb. 23.

The wholesale lumber market is very firm at previous quotations. Shipments are light and probably will be so for several weeks to come. The indications are that a large quantity of lumber will be wanted by New England dealers in the spring. Collections are fair and the sup-ply of car is well up to the demand.

I IN. CANADA PINE SIDINGS. - Eight in. and

upwards wide, 12 to 18 ft., as run out, p. 2 s. \$17; pickings and better, p. 2 s. \$10 at 2 dressing, p. 2 s. \$28; common, p. 2 s. and m. \$20 \$21. P4. P5 Axb 2 to, Ptxp \$10 165. Explit in, and upwards wide, 12 to 16 ft., as run, common out, rangh, \$46 at 2 pickings and latter, rough, \$46 at 2 minus.

McCurs In this city Feb. 12, the infant daughter of C. E. and Neble McCuen, aged 2 jears and six mooties.

Buildieman-At his residence No. 81 Champian St., Mediael Bridge man in the 74th year of his age. SHYMOUR, In South Burlington, I night, Nancy M. Seymour, ages 60 years



Dr. Gage's Appointments.

St. Johnshury House, Westneyday, M. rob 10 Groton Hotel, Thur day, North H.

Payifion Hotel, Mostronica, Visual, N. D. 1812

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Is the bane of so many it was that here is where we make our great boast. Our pails cure it while others do not.

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CARTER MEDICINE CO.,

John H. Baird's Estate.

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STATE OF VERMONT, To all persons distracter of charterismes, conserved in the estate of John H. Baiel, after of Burlington, in said district descased.

At a Probate Court, borden at Burlington, within and for the Distract of Charterisment purporting to be the last will and testament of John A. Baird, late of Burlington, in saiddistrict, deceased was presented to the court aforesaid, for probate. And it is ordered by said court that the 19th day of March, 1886, at the Probate Court couns in said Burlington, he assigned for proving said instrument; and that notice thereof be given to all persons concerned, by publishing this order three weeks successively in the Burlington Free Press, a newspaper printed at said Burlington, previous to the time appointed.

Therefore, you are hereby notified to appear before said court, at the time and place aforesaid and contest the probate of said will, if you have cause.

Given under my hand at Burlington, in said district, this Earl day of February, 1886.

Sowit GEO, W. WALES, Register.